

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: INOUE, et al.

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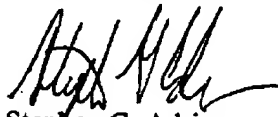
Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated January 8, 2003 for three months from May 8, 2003 to July 8, 2003.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$820.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity (1 month \$110.0 already paid on May 8, 2003). In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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